SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. W. Senior, well-known Johannesburg Zionist Workers, have returned from their flying trip to Palestine.

The engagement is announced of Celia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Smith, of Proes Street, Pretoria, to Benny, son of Mrs. G. Katz and the late Mr. Katz, of Pretoria.

Dr. Nathan Pencharz, during his recent sojourn overseas, has obtained by examination, his Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Cohen (nee Gladys Sachs), on the birth of a son on the 14th inst., at the Queen Victoria Hospital.

Walter, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Stiller, of Durban, will read portion of the Law at St. Andrew's Street Synagogue, Durban, on Saturday, 21st April.

The engagement is announced of Frieda, younger daughter of Rabbi and Mrs. H. Lipshitz, to Theodore, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Cohen, both of Johannesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Orelowitz wish to announce the engagement of their second daughter, Lily, to Mr. Jack Kalmek. Both of Germiston.

The engagement is announced of Kitty, youngest daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. David Silverman, to Maurice, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mayers, both of Johannesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Abie Maselle (nee Rose Nayman) are being congratulated on the birth of a son, on the 10th inst., at Queen Victoria Nursing Home.

The engagement is announced of Sarah, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Cohen, to Samuel Measroch, both of Johannesburg.

AN EISTEDDFOD SUCCESS

An extremely promising dramatic artist of Johannesburg is the fifteen-year-old Edna Rubinstein, who was the winner of several awards at the Eisteddfod which was held recently in the city. She obtained the gold medal in the modern section of drama, and was a member of the group winning the gold medal for Elizabethan drama. In addition, she was the winner of the second diploma in the group dramatic section, and of the second diploma in the mime group, and was first and second in dualogue, second in monologue, and second in single mime.

Mrs. Ethel Hayman's Return to South Africa

On the 26th of this month, Mrs. Ethel Hayman returns to South Africa, after a stay of approximately 17 months oversea. During the major portion of this period, Mrs. Hayman was in Palestine, and she will, therefore, be in a position to give much valuable, first-hand information of conditions in that country.

On 2nd May, at 3 p.m., the Johannesburg Women's Zionist Society are arranging an "at home" at the Langham Hotel in order to welcome Mrs. Hayman. Mr. N. Kirschner (Chairman of the S.A. Zionist Federation) will deliver a short address.

BRIDGE DRIVE AT THE CARLTON

On the afternoon of Monday, the 16th inst., a bridge drive, organised by the Jewish Ladies' Communal League, under the presidency of Mrs. I. Heymann, was held at the Carlton Hotel. The proceeds, which should be considerable, are to be devoted to the betterment of the Jewish Girls' Residential Club. There were between 200 to 300 bridge players present, and in addition, running games had been arranged. Further sums were derived from the selling of sweets and the running of competitions. The affair was in every way successful.

A SUCCESSFUL CABARET

THERE was a large attendance at a cabaret social, held at the Memorial Hall, Beatrix Street, by the Pretoria Jewish Guild, on Sunday, the 15th inst. Between dancing, which took place to the music of the Capital Dance Band, cabaret turns were rendered and were greatly appreciated by the audience.

Mr. David Zaidel sang delightfully, and Miss F. Taback entertained the audience by the presentation of two amusing character sketches. Miss M. Poswolsky and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Calder rendered dancing items, and the evening ended with jazz piano solos by Miss Charmion Cantor. All the performers showed a high level of ability.

LEWIS-TOPPER

The marriage took place at the Berea Synagogue on Sunday morning last of Rita, youngest daughter of Mrs. C. Topper, of Johannesburg, and the late Mr. Topper, to Mr. Nathan Lewis, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lewis, of Pretoria. The Rev. S. Steinberg officiated.

The unterfuhrers were the sister and brother-in-law of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lewis, and the parents of the bridegroom, and Mr. S. Israelstam carried out the duties of the best man. Miss Jenny Lewis was the bridesmaid. About one hundred and fifty guests were present afterwards at morning tea at the Criterion Restaurant, where the toasts were proposed by Mr. A. A. Lipkin and Mr. S. Israelstam.

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FIRST "OPEN FORUM" MEETING

There was a fairly large gathering present last Sunday night at the H.O.D. Hall, on the occasion of the first Open Forum, organised by the United Zionist Socialist Party. Dr. J. M. Melamed presided.

Before the discussion began, Mr. Hurwitz gave a pianoforte solo and Mr. M. Soloway a song. News was read by Mr. Ch. Achron.

Mr. D. H. Epstein chose as his subject "Democracy and Dictatorship." He traced the history of democracy from its beginning in ancient Athens, showing its development into bourgeoise democracy in the present form.

The lecture, which proved extremely interesting, was followed by a lively discussion.

GEISER—SHAPIRO

The Rev. A. T. Shrock officiated on Sunday evening last, assisted by the Rev. Cantor Inspektor, at the Wolmarans Street Synagogue, when the marriage took place of Cecilia, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Shapiro, to Mr. Joe Geiser, youngest son of Mrs. L. Akker, of London, and the late Mr. S. Geiser. The unterfuhrers were the parents of the bride and Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips, the sister and brother-in-law of the bridegroom. The best man was Mr. I. Shapiro, and the pole holders Messrs. H. Benjamin, J. Raphael, M. Gabriel and I. Janet.

The maid of honour was Miss Fay Shapiro, and the bridesmaids were the Misses Lilian Beare, Vera Rosner, Razelle Shapiro and Razelle Tollman.

The reception was held at the Ginsberg Hall, and about 450 guests attended.

The Rev. A. T. Shrock proposed the toast of the bride and bridegroom, and Mr. M. Rubenstein that of the unterfuhrers and the mother of the bridegroom.

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